



CITY OF HAYWARD
AGENDA REPORT

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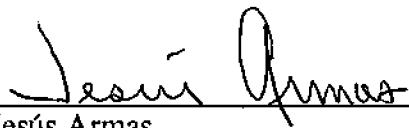
TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: City Manager
SUBJECT: Public Comments

This item appears on the agenda at the request of Councilmember Matt Jimenez.

Councilmember Jimenez is requesting that the Council consider moving the public comments portion of your agenda, so that it appears after legislative business. Mr. Jimenez reports that he has received various comments from residents watching Council meetings on Channel 22 indicating that, since public comments are heard before noticed agenda items, this practice has resulted in a delay with regard to conducting the public's business.

By moving public comments elsewhere on the agenda, it will enable the Council to conduct its business matters, while still providing an opportunity for those who wish to speak under public comments to do so, according to Mr. Jimenez. Finally, Mr. Jimenez suggests that the Council utilize this revised order on trial period, following which a determination can be made whether to make it permanent.

If the Council concurs with Mr. Jimenez's suggestion, it will be implemented with your first meeting in January.


Jesús Armas